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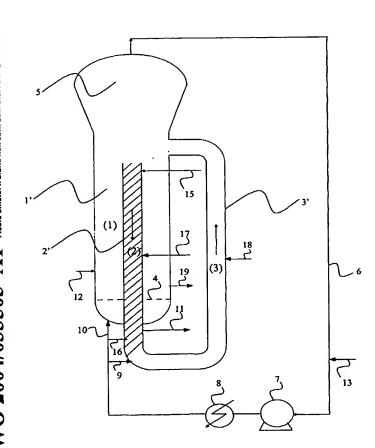
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(54) Title: POLYMERIZATION PROCESS



(57) Abstract: Process for the gas-phase catalytic polymerization of olefins carried out in a plurality of interconnected polymerization zones, the process comprising feeding one or more monomers to said polymerization zones in the presence of a catalyst under reaction conditions and collecting the polymer product from said polymerization zones, in which process the polymer particles grow within a first polymerization zone where a fluidized bed is formed, at least a part of said polymer particles leave said first polymerization zone to enter a second polymerization zone through which they flow downward, leave said second polymerization zone and enter a third polymerization zone through which they flow upward under fast fluidization or transport conditions, leave said third polymerization zone and are reintroduced into the first polymerization zone, thus establishing a circulation of polymer between the different polymerization zones.